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SUBJ: KOREA AT 30TH UNGA AND NONALIGNED CONFERENCE: QATARI VIEWS

REF: STATE 121697, 131759, AND 93100

1. SUMMARY: WE HAVE FOLLOWED UP ROK DEMARCHE TO GOVT OF QATAR ON KOREAN QUESTION AT NAC AND UNGA. GOQ SUPPORT FOR US/ROK POSITION IS INDICATED. END SUMMARY.

2. ON JUNE 7 AMBASSADOR RAISED KOREAN QUESTION, WITH SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO NONALIGNED CONFERENCE (NAC), WITH QATARI FOREIGN MINISTER, SHAYKH SUHAYM BIN HAMAD AL THANI. WE NOTED THAT WE WERE FOLLOWING UP ON SUHAYM'S DISCUSSIONS OF KOREAN QUESTION WITH ROK AMBASSADOR KYONG DO YOON. (AMBASSADOR YOON, WHO MET WITH SUHAYM JUNE 1 WHILE IN DOHA TO PRESENT HIS CREDENTIALS, IS RESIDENT IN JIDDA. HE CALLED AT EMBASSY JUNE 3 TO FILL US IN ON HIS CONVERSATION.)

3. SUHAYM INDICATED THAT GOQ WOULD SUPPORT U.S. AND ROK POSITION ON KOREAN QUESTION AT UNGA AS IT HAD DONE LAST YEAR. RE NON-

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ALIGNED CONFERENCE, SUHAYM AGREED THAT NEITHER KOREA QUALIFIED

ASRFSIMIGNED COUNTRY AND, THEREFORE, NEITHER SHOULD BE ADMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP. HOWEVER, HE ALSO AGREED WITH LOGIC THAT IF NORTH KOREA ADMITTED, SOUTH KOREAN MEMBERSHIP SHOULD ALSO BE ACCEPTED. SUHAYM SAID THAT HE EXPECTED TO ATTEND NAC AND TO PROCEED DIRECTLY FROM LIMA TO UNGA SPECIAL AND REGULAR SESSIONS IN NEW YORK, SO THAT HE HIMSELF WOULD BE PERSONALLY ON HAND FOR DISCUSSIONS OF KOREAN QUESTION.

4. SUHAYM ASSERTED THAT QATAR, AS USUAL, WILL ALIGN ITS POSITION ON KOREAN QUESTION WITH THAT OF SAUDI ARABIA IN ANY FORUM WHERE QUESTION AROSE. HE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT US LOBBY INTENSIVELY WITH BAHRAIN AND UAE TO SECURE THEIR SUPPORT FOR US/ROK VIEWS. HE ALSO URGED THAT WE WORK HARD TO TURN AROUND ALGERIA SINCE IT WAS KEY COUNTRY ON QUESTION.

5. ROK AMB YOON TOLD US THAT SUHAYM HAD ALSO INDICATED GOQ'S SUPPORT FOR ROK POSITION ON KOREAN QUESTION AT NAC AND UNGA, ALTHOUGH SUHAYM HAD BEEN PURPOSEFULLY VAGUE IN RESPONDING TO YOON'S REQUEST FOR CO-SPONSORSHIP OF APPROPRIATE RESOLUTION. YOON SAID THAT HE HAD HAD NO RPT NO SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FROM SEOUL CONCERNING ROK APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AT NAC, SO THAT HE HAD BEEN ABLE ONLY TO SEEK GENERAL SUPPORT FROM GOQ.

6. ACCORDING YOON, HE HAS BEEN TOLD THAT SAUDIS WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE SENDING DELEGATION TO NAC AND THAT HE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO TRY TO PERSUADE THEM TO DO SO, BUT WAS NOT OPTIMISTIC. AMBASSADOR MENTIONED TO SUHAYM THAT WE HAD HEARD THAT SAUDIS NOT GOING TO LIMA, BUT FONMIN SAID HE HAD HEARD NO SUCH THING.

7. ACCORDING YOON, SAUDI AMBASSADOR IN DOHA HAD TOLD HIM THAT HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS TO SUPPORT GENERALLY ROK WITH GOQ AND THAT HE ALREADY HAD DONE SO.
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